

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Four bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1614–1617, S. Res. 225, and S. Con. Res. 68. **Pages S11478–79**

Measures Reported:

Reported on Monday, September 15, during the adjournment:

S. 189, to authorize appropriations for nanoscience, nanoengineering, and nanotechnology research, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–147) **Page S11478**

Energy and Water Development Appropriations:

Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 2754, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 1424, Senate companion measure, taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S11435–51**

Pending:

Feinstein Amendment No. 1655, to prohibit the use of funds for Department of Energy activities relating to the Robust Nuclear Earth Penetrator, Advanced Weapons Concepts, modification of the readiness posture of the Nevada Test Site, and the Modern Pit Facility, and to make the amount of funds made available by the prohibition for debt reduction. **Page S11436**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill, on Tuesday, September 16, 2003. **Page S11499**

Partial-Birth Abortion Ban House Message: Senate began consideration of a motion to go to conference on S. 3, to prohibit the procedure commonly known as partial-birth abortion: **Pages S11453–54**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion, at a time determined by the Majority Leader, after consultation with the Democratic Leader, with six hours of debate remaining. **Page S11499**

FCC Media Ownership—Agreement: Senate will resume consideration of S.J. Res. 17, disapproving

the rule submitted by the Federal Communications Commission with respect to broadcast media ownership, at 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, September 16, 2003, with 75 minutes of debate remaining, and a vote on final passage to occur thereon. **Page S11499**

Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Advisory

Panel: The Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, after consultation with the Ranking Member of the Senate Committee on Finance, pursuant to Public Law 106–170, announced the appointment of Andrew J. Imperator, of Maryland, to service as a member of the Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Advisory Panel, vice Christine M. Griffin, of Massachusetts. **Page S11499**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

H. Douglas Barclay, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of El Salvador.

W. Robert Pearson, of Tennessee, to be Director General of the Foreign Service.

Randall L. Tobias, of Indiana, to be Coordinator of United States Government Activities to Combat HIV/AIDS Globally, with the rank of Ambassador.

David Eisner, of Maryland, to be Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for National and Community Service.

Read Van de Water, of North Carolina, to be a Member of the National Mediation Board for a term expiring July 1, 2006.

David Wayne Anderson, of Minnesota, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

3 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

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Adjournment: Senate met at 1 p.m., and adjourned at 7:34 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, September 16, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S11499.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Management, the Budget, and Inter-

national Security concluded a hearing on defined benefit pension plans and the Pension Benefits Guaranty Corporation, focusing on specific changes that may be required within the current pension system to help ensure the financial stability of companies with underfunded pension liabilities, after receiving testimony from Peter R. Fisher, Under Secretary of the Treasury for Domestic Finance; Steven A. Kandarian, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation; Kathy Cissna, R.J. Reynolds, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, on behalf of the American Benefits Council; Norman P. Stein, University of Alabama School of Law, Tuscaloosa, on behalf of the Pension Rights Center; and Christopher W. O'Flinn, AT&T Corporation, on behalf of the ERISA Industry Committee, John P. Parks, American Academy of Actuaries, and J. Mark Iwry, The Brookings Institution, all of Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 279, and H. Res. 367, were introduced. Page H8222

Additional Cosponsors: Page H8222

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 1038, to increase the penalties to be imposed for a violation of fire regulations applicable to the public lands, National Park System lands, or National Forest System lands when the violation results in damage to public or private property, to specify the purpose for which collected fines may be used, and for other purposes, amended, (H. Rept. 108–218, Pt. 3); and

H.J. Res. 63, to approve the "Compact of Free Association, as amended between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia," and the "Compact of Free Association, as amended between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands," and otherwise to amend Public Law 99–239, and to appropriate for the purposes of amended Public Law 99–239 for fiscal years ending on or before September 30, 2023, amended, (H. Rept. 108–262, Pts. 2 and 3). Page H8222

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Aderholt to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. Page H8219

Message from the Clerk: The Clerk of the House received a message from the Senate on September 12 that the Senate passed H.R. 978—clearing the bill for the President. Page H8219

Adjournment: The House met at 12 p.m. and adjourned at 12:04 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; DC—SOCIO-ECONOMIC ISSUES FACING BLACK MEN AND BOYS IN DC

Committee on Government: On September 12, the Committee ordered reported the following measures: H. Con. Res. 71, recognizing the importance of Ralph Bunche as one of the great leaders of the United States, the first African-American Nobel Peace Prize winner, an accomplished scholar, a distinguished diplomat, and a tireless campaigner of civil rights for people throughout the world; H. Con. Res. 262, expressing the sense of the Congress in support of the National Anthem "SingAmerica" project; H. Res. 262, supporting the goals and ideals of Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month; H. Res. 306, congratulating the New York Yankees on the occasion of their 100th anniversary; H. Res. 352, remembering and honoring the March on Washington of August 28, 1963; H.R. 1882, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 440 South Orange Blossom Trail in Orlando, Florida, as the "Arthur 'Pappy' Kennedy Post Office;" H.R. 1883,

to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1601–1 Main Street in Jacksonville, Florida, as the “Eddie Mae Steward Post Office;” H.R. 2452, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 339 Hicksville Road in Bethpage, New York, as the “Brian C. Hickey Post Office Building;” and H.R. 2826, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1000 Avenida Sanchez Osorio in Carolina, Puerto Rico, as the “Robert Clemente Walker Post Office Building.”

The Committee also held a hearing entitled “Black Men and Boys in the District of Columbia and Their Impact on the Future of the Black Family.” Testimony was heard from Paul A. Quander, Director, Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency, District of Columbia; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2003

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Harvey S. Rosen, of New Jersey, and Kristin J. Forbes, of Massachusetts, each to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers, Julie L. Myers, of Kansas, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Export Enforcement, and Peter Lichtenbaum, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Subcommittee on International Trade and Finance, to hold hearings to examine financial reconstruction in Iraq, 2:30 p.m., SD–538.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Water, to hold oversight hearings to examine the implementation of the Clean Water Act, 9:30 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: to hold oversight hearings to examine the future of the GAO; to be immediately followed by a hearing to consider the nomination of C. Suzanne Mencer, of Colorado, to be the Director of the Office for Domestic Preparedness, Department of Homeland Security, 9:30 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: with the Committee on Rules and Administration, to hold joint hearings to ex-

amine the continuity of the United States government in relation to the Presidency, 9:30 a.m., SR–325.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the importance of the H–1B visa to the American economy, 2:30 p.m., SD–226.

Committee on Rules and Administration: with the Committee on the Judiciary, to hold joint hearings to examine the continuity of the United States government in relation to the Presidency, 9:30 a.m., SR–325.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to receive the legislative presentation of The American Legion, 10 a.m., SH–216.

House

Committee on Government Reform, hearing on “Holocaust Era Insurance Restitution after *AIA v. Garamendi*: Where Do We Go From Here?” 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Middle East and Central Asia, hearing on Syria: Implications for U.S. Security and Regional Stability—Part I, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 280, National Aviation Heritage Area Act; H.R. 646, Fort Donelson National Battlefield Act of 2003; H.R. 1594, St. Croix National Heritage Area Study Act; H.R. 1618, Arabia Mountain National Heritage Area Act; and H.R. 1862, Oil Region National Heritage Act, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 7, Charitable Giving Act of 2003, 5 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

Select Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Science, and Research and Development, hearing entitled “The Invisible Battleground: What the Department of Homeland Security is Doing to Make America's Cyberspace More Secure,” 9:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

Joint Meetings: Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to receive the legislative presentation of The American Legion, 10 a.m., SH–216.

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to hold hearings to examine the current situation and future of Chechnya, 1:30 p.m., HC–334, Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Tuesday, September 16

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will resume consideration of S.J. Res. 17, FCC Media Ownership, with the time until 10:45 a.m. equally divided for debate, following which, Senate will vote on final passage of the resolution. Also, Senate will continue consideration of the motion to go to conference on S. 3, Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act.

Additionally, Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 2754, Energy and Water Development Appropriations.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12:30 p.m., Tuesday, September 16

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of Suspensions:

- (1) S. 520, Fremont-Mason Conveyance Act;
- (2) H.R. 2040, to amend the Irrigation Project Contract Extension Act of 1998 to extend certain contracts between the Bureau of Reclamation and certain irrigation water contractors in the States of Wyoming and Nebraska;
- (3) H.R. 1284, to amend the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 to increase the Federal share of the costs of the San Gabriel Basin demonstration project;
- (4) H. Con. Res. 235, celebrating the life and achievements of Lawrence Eugene "Larry" Doby;
- (5) S. 678, Postmaster Equity Act of 2003; and
- (6) H.R. 13, Museum and Library Services Act of 2003.

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